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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

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chief Commercial places in Europe, India,

Australia, America, China and Japan.

Hongkong, November 2, 1876.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE.

TR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been com-

consequence of failing health, and his in-

terest and responsibility ceased on the 31st

authorised to sign for us by Procuration.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

MR. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has been

We have this day reopened a branch of

NOTICE.

MR. Ludwig Stegmund Lutkens is authorized to sign our Firm per

NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS of the Undersigned

THE Interest and Responsibility in our

Firm of the late Mr J. C. KRUSE

ceased with his death at Yokohama on the

27th of August last, and the Business will

be carried on as heretofore and under the

same Style and Firm by our Mr H. KUHL-

Mr RICHARD & CHONBERGER has been

NOTICE.

IVI a Partner in our Firm, and Mr.

ALFRED HERIZ has been authorized to

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

N and after the 16th day of November,

1876, and until further notice, the

BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

will be carried on by the Under-

WM. CRUICKSHANK,

Manager.

the Name or Style of H. KIER & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

authorised to sign the Firm.

sign for us per Procuration.

signed.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877.

will henceforth be carried on under

SIEMSSEN & Co.

W. PUSTAU & Co.

H, KIÆR,

KRUSE & Co.

CARLOWITZ & Co.

pelled to retire from our Firm in

4 per cent. ,, ,,

T. JACKSON,

Leting This Manager.

No, 1, Queen's Road East.

5 per cent. ,.

On Fixed Deposits :-

Exchange business transacted.

Offices of the Corporation,

December last.

Procuration.

our Firm at Canton.

LONDON BANKERS. - London and County

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Bank.

balance.

Molves, Esq.

F. D. SASSOON, Esq.

ING CORPORATION.

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generally :- Bran & Black, San Fran-

Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co.

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bourne and Sydney.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1877.

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PPICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

Notices of Firms. NOTICE.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 80, THE Partnership hitherto existing be-tween the Undersigned under the Cornhill. GOBDON & GOTOH, Ludgate 4, Old Jeiory, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & G. RAYNAL & Co.

> by mutual consent. GUSTAV RAYNAL, CARL MILISCH.

Macao, January 1, 1877.

at this Port, has this day been dissolved

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of VISCOUNT DO CERCAL in our Firm

ceased from the 1st April 1576. A. A. DE MELLO & Co. Macao, January 1, 1877.

HAVE this day Established myself at this Port under my own name as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

O. KEES. Canton, January 9, 1877.

NOTICE.

HE Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr. Alfred Hutchison in our Firm Ceased on the 26th February 1876. DEACON & Co.

Canton, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESTERN & HULSE has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

O. J. MESTERN. W. HULSE.

Canton, December 81, 1876.

NOTICE.

HE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. N Ourrent Deposit Accounts at the rate CHARLES BEWICK QUELCH in our of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily Firm Cessed on the 30th September, 1876. The Business will be Continued under the Style of CAMPBELL & Co.

QUELCH & CAMPBELL.

NOTICE.

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

THE Firm of J. D. MEYER & FEERS Oredits granted on approved Securities, will from this Date be carried on as every description of Banking and heretofore under the Style of Drafts, granted on London, and the

J. D. MEYER & Co.

Swatow, January 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

TR. H. EBELL has This Day been ad-MI mitted a PARTNER in my Firm at SWATOW and HOTHOW, which in future will be carried on under the Name or Style of "HERTON, EBELL & Co." EDWARD HERTON.

Swatow Hoihow, January 1, 1877. fe19

intimations.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY.

THE SECOND CONCERT of the Season (VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL) will take place on THURSDAY EVENING, the 8th Full Particulars will be announced.

Hongkong, January 31, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Company's Office, 39 Queen's Road, Victoria, at 2 o'Clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 16th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ending 31st December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 16th February, both days inclusive.

> JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

RAR, H. C. Endmann has been admitted TOTICE is hereby given, that the Sixth Ordinary MEETING of the SHAKE. HOLDERS of the above Company will be Hold at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongfe2 kong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, 1877, at 3 o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a statement of Accounts, to

31st December, 1876. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board,

OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, January 29, 1877,

Intimations.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

GUILLET ROUYE CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This Brandy is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers

Qualities One *, Two **, Three ***, and Four ****, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

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POMMERY & GRENO'S

CHAMPAGNE, "Extra Sec."

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

1845.

THE MEDICAL HALL, 37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1853. TH. KOFFER, Proprietor. Hongkong, April 28, 1876.

HONCKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co., WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS.

38, Queen's Road, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS. &c., &c., do., Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately

rated under guarantee. All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

> W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUES-DAY, the 20th February next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, to receive a State. ment of Accounts for the Year 1876, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, January 20, 1877.

THE HONGRONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Comto the 20th February next, both days in-

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co General Managers,

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited. Hongkong, January 20, 1877. - NOTICE:

THE Office of the IMPERIAL RUSSIAN CONSULATE has This Day been RE. MOVED to PEDDAR'S HILL.

By Order, LOUIS HAUSOHILM, Becretary. Hougkong, January 29, 1877,

THE Office of the IMPERIAL GREMAN CONSULTE has This Day been RE-

MOVED to PEDDIR'S HILL. By Order, LOUIS PAUSCILILO,

Hongkorg, January 29, 1877

NOTIFICATION.

COPY of the JURY LIST for 1877 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection; Notice of any luacouracies. Omissions, Objections, &c., must be given to the Acting Registrar on or before TUES-DAY, the Thirteenth day of February, 1877, in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1864. F. S. HUFFAM,

Acting Registrar.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya Central, on

FRIDAY,

the 2nd February, 1877, at Noon,-Gosnell's Assorted Perfumery, Toilet Soaps, Violet Powder, Hair and Tooth Brushes, &c., &c. Lambswool and Merino Socks, Electro-plated Table Spoons and Forks, Watch Glasses, Black Writing Ink, Iron and Brass Padlocks.

30 cases Gin, Cock mark. 1 Perambulator.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, January 30, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-

L tions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY the 3rd February, 1877, at 2 o'clock

p.m., at No. 34, Hollywood Road,-SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNI-TURE, comprising: English Rosewood Red Rep Covered Drawing-room Suit, Dining and Bed-room Suits, Pier Glasses, Brussels Carpets, Curtains, Chandeliers, Hearth-rugs, Engravings, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass and Platedware, Vases, Clocks, and One Piano.

Catalogues will be issued. TERMS OF SALE,-Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7. 1. 7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer,

J. M. ARMSTRONG. Auctionser. Hongkong, January 22, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY.

the 6th February, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Sales Rooms, No. 8, Queen's Road,-

A Collection of Chinese and Japanese CURIOS, comprising: Lacquered Ware, Enamelled Vases, Cups, Bowls and Jars, Porcelain Ware, Ornamente, a Variety of Bronzes, Soochow Lacquered Ware, &c., do do

A large Iron BELL.

TERMS OF SALE, Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors description, at purchasers' risk, on the fall of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctionser. Hongkong, January 30, 1877. Entertainments.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give their Fourth Performance of the Season at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL,

MONDAY, 19th February, when will be presented the Popular Burlesque of

Aladdin or the Wonderful Scamp. Doors Open at 8.30, Performance to Commence at Nine o'Ulock. Tickets may be had at Mesers LANE. CRAWFORD & Co. on and after Wednesday,

CHAS, C. COHEN. Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, January 27, 1877.

February 14th.

shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SAIGON. The Steamship "GUNGA," Captain A. GARGEAU, will be despatched for the above Port on MUNDAY, the 5th February, at S p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

> AH YON, No. 57, Praya.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

FOR YOKOHAMA. The Steamship "GALLEY OF LORNE," due shortly from London

Singapore, will receive immediate despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, January 81, 1877.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The British Steamer shortly expected from Singapore, will have immediate

despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, January 24, 1877.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Barque " ANTIOCH.

will load here for the above Port, and will have ear

THOMAS MERRILL, Master

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Olipper Barque "UNANIMA," CAIN, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and meet with early despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark

KELLY, Master, will load here Sand at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 18, 1877.

For Freight, apply to

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American Ship "SUMATRA." Captain CLOUGH, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 19, 1877.

FOR LUNDON. (If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L. 1, 1. Russian Ship "VANADIS," WERLAND, Master, will load

here and have quick despatch For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship CHRELMAN, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 9, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON (DIRECT.) (If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L, 1 1 German Bark "HANSA," DENECKEN, Master, will load

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, January 29, 1877.

The A 1 British Ship

here and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Schooner

Agents.

Notices to Consignees

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. ZAMBESI.

Goods not delivered by the 7th Proximo will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded by the

A. MoIVER, Superintendent.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary is given before. 10 a.m. To-morrow.

by the Undersigned. No Fire insurance has been effected.

Agents. Hongkong, January 31, 1877. GERMAN BARK BERTHA, FROM

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, Uargo impeding the discharge will be

expense. WIELER & Co.

FROM BUSHIRE, BANDER, ABBAS AND SINGAPORE

THE S. S. Gunga, Captain A. GARCEAU, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

NOTIOE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo per 8.

"Indus," from London, in comnection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-Morrow, the 25th Inst. at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Understaned.

H. DU POUEY

Phere, and have immediate de-

FOR LONDON. KNIGHT, Master, will load

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 2, 1877.

"NUEVO CONSTANTE." URIARTE, Master, having the greater portion of her Uargo engaged, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 25, 1877.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the GWALIOR and HYDASPES, from London, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this

following Steamer, unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-morrow.

Hongkong, January 31, 1877.

THE S. S. Benarty having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be

Goods remaining in Godown after the 8th February will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

HAMBURG. landed and stored at Consignees risk and

Hongkong, January 26, 1877.

H. A. ASGAR & H. ESMAIL. Hoogkong, January 24, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. S. S. AMAZONE.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Walls MENDAY, the Slot Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Instirance has been effected.

Hongkong, January 24, 1877,

AH YON, BHIPS' TOOMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,

Intimations.

No. 57, Praya West. SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice. Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

P. F. DA SILVA, ENERAL COMMISSION AGENT. TARAO and TAIWANFOO. [fe22

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW AND SHANGHAI. The Steamship "OLYMPIA," NAGEL, Master, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd Instant, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Bongkong, February 1, 1877.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. THEBAUD, will be deapatched as above on MON-DAY, the 5th Instant, at Noon.

Was Kraight or Passage, apply to A. MACH. HEATON, Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS," Captain Burnie, will be depatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 6th Inst., at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

• DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1877. FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The British Bark "SPIRIT OF THE AGE." Captain Johnson, will have a

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

quick despatch for the above

THE BRITISH SHIP TYBURNIA, FROM LONDON.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovei named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' rink and expense. MEYER & Co.,

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. HONGKONG AGENCY.

TROM This Date the Offices of this Agency are REMOVED to the Premines in the PRAYA CENTRAL lately occupied by Mesers Gilman & Co., next to Mesers

Russell & Co.'s Building. or POUEY, Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

TYANTED, to HIRE for One Month, A Horse, Quiet in Single Harness, or A Pony and Trap. Apply to Private Secretary, Government

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

NOTICE. 7 /TR. J. F. Condes' Interest and Respon-We sibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1877. HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CORPORATION.

TOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be Held at the CITY HALL, Hongkeng, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of February current, at Three o'Clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th December, 1876. By Order of the Court of Directors.

THOMAS JACKSON. Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, February 1, 1877. HONGRONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION. ATOTICE is heroby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 18th day of February current (both days inclusive), during which period no

transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

THOMAS JACKSON, Acting Ohief Manager. Hongkong, February 1, 1877. NOTION,

BONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Annual General MEETING of MEMBERS of the Hondkond GE-MERAL OHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be Held at the City Hatt, on MONDAY, the 12th February, 1877, at 8 p.m. By Order,

Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

FIRE Undeffientloped Firm le Tuis DAY DISSCLVED by consent. The Fifth in Liquidation will be bighed by Mr 28th, left Amoy 29th, arrived in Swatow J. A. Fraser in Japan, by Mr E. G. Low 80th, and left last night 31st. Afrived in Shanghal, and by Mr T. G. Likarean in Hongkong Feb. 1st. First and middle Hongkong, or by any one of the Partners. HEARD & Co. Mongroug, Fobruary 1, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements. Occidental & Oriental Steam-

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN COMMECTION WITH THE

Ship Company.

CENTRAL UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING

ATLANTIC STRAMERS.

RAILROAD COMPANIES

THE S. S. "OCEANIC," will be des-L patched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with

Steamers from Shanghai. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 28th Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

is required. Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per ent, on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 16, Praya Central. G. B. EMORY, Agent. Hongkong, February 1, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Aleither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. -Melchers & Co.

BRIDGETOWN, British barque, Captain E. W. Crisp.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. CEYLON, American bark, Capt. E. Kelly. STAR OF CHINA, British ship, Captain E. B. Blaker, - Douglas Lapraik & Co.

NEHEMIAH GIDSON, American barque, Captain D. Bradford.-Arnhold, Karberg

BONITO, German barque, Captain J. F. Wesenberg, - Siemssen & Co. ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Captain S. Noyes. -- Rozario & Co.

TYBURNIA, British ship, Captain Robt. Golder.-Meyer & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Jan. 31, Tyburnia, British ship, 948, Robt. Golder, London Sept. 14, General

-MEYER & Co. Jan. 31, Talisman, French man-of-war, 1200, Marcq. St. Hilaire, from Macao. Jan. 31, Conquest, British steamer, 317. G. C. Anderson, Haiphong Jan. 27, and Hollow 30, General. - Kwong-Lee-Yuen.

Feb. 1, Yangiste, from Canton. Feb. 1, Ningpo, British steamer, 761, R. Cass, Shanghai Jan. 26, Amoy 29, and Swatow 31. General.—Siemssen & Co.

DEPARTURES. Jan. 81. Flintshire, for Salgon. Hailoong, for Swatow, &c.

Malacca, for Yokohama. Zambesi, for Shanghai. Khiva, for Europe, &c. Gaelic, for Yokohama and San

Francisco. Lucre, for Touron. Vesta, for Tientsin. Humboldt, for Manila.

1. Vidal, for Singapore.

CLEARED. Antioch, for San Francisco. Frederich for Taiwanfoo. Brema, for Haiphong.

Olympia, for Swatow. Alphington, for Whampoa.

PASSENGERS. Per Ningpo, from Shanghai, &c., Mr and Mrs St. Croix and family, Mrs Fabris and | 100 family, and 80 Chinese deck. Per Conquest, for Hoihow, &c., 35 Chi-

Per Malacca, for Yokohama, Mr and Mrs Beadon, child and servant. Messrs T Meyerdireks and K. Shabie, Mrs Britck,

Mr J. N. Sawkins. Per Zambesi, for Shanghai, Mr F. Gilman, and Lt. Boyer E.N. Per Khiva, for Southampton, Mrs Gilman and children, and Lieut. Godsal, R.E.; for Gibraltar, Mr and Mrs Quintels; for

Penang, Mr Wemyss; for Singapore, Mr Per Gaelie, for Yokohama, Messrs J. B. Macpherson, A. H. Jones, and A. M.

Resabhoy. For San Francisco, Capt. W. M. Redmond, wife and shild, and 95 Per Hailsong, for Swatow, &c, 120

Per Flintshire, for Saigon, 50 Chinese. Per Lucre, for Touron, 50 Chinese.

Per Vesta, for Tientein, 2 Chinese. Per Humboldt, for Manila, 2 Chinese. TO DEPART.

Per Olympia, for Swatow, 1 European, SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Conquest reports In Haiphong, the British schooners Usziah, Syringa, and Tullochgorum. The Usiah was full and would leave on Monday, 20th

The Brit, ship Tyburnia reports | Passed Start Point on Sept. 19th. Experienced very heavy S. W. gales on leaving English Channel. Crossed the Equator Nov. 4th. and had moderate S.E. trades passing the Meridian of Cape on Ded. 1st, in 45 South, and had fresh winds and fine weather runs ning down Easting: Sighted Sandalwood Island on Jan. 4th. Sincs which N.W. to N.E. winds prevailed. Spoke the Sarah Nicholson in the Gillolo Passage bound to

Hongkong. The British stellmer Ningpo teports Left Shanghai Jan. 26th, arrived in Amor parts voyage had moderate Westerly winds and hary weather, latter part light N.W. fold winds and loggy weather.

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING Shipping. The following is corrected from the latest London Papers :--Shanghal.

DEPARTURES. June 9, Aurora, from Richmond, U.S. to Sept. 16, Sarah Nicholson, from London to Sept. 16, Western Belle, from Cardiff to

Sept. 17, Palestine, from London to Hong-Sept. 18, A. T. Stalknechdt, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Sept. 23, Agnes Muir, from London to

Oct. 3, Belle of Oregon, from Cardiff to Oct. 5, Wega, from Hamburg to Chefoo.

Cet. 8, Glamorganshire, from London to Oct. 12, Omba, from London to Shanghai. Oct. 14, Sir Harry Parkes, from London to

Nov. 12, Lime, from London to Hongkong. Nov. 13, Rurik, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 16, Hydra, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Nov. 17, Eliza Shaw, from London to

Nov. 21, America, from Cardiff to Hong-Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to Nov. 28, Madura, from Cardiff to Hong-

Nov. 28, Hannah Law, from Cardiff to Nov. 28, New Era, from Cardiff to Hong-

Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong. Dec. 7, Galley of Lorne (str.), from London to China and Japan. Dec. 14, Cyphrenes (str.), from London to

Dec. 15, Patroclus (str.), from Liverpool to Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to

Dec. 17, Carricks, from London to Hong-Dec. 19, Channel Queen, from Cardiff to Dec. 19, Calrasmuir (str.), from London

to China and Japan. Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS

At London.—Steamers via Sues Canal. Gadshill. Benarty. Macgregor. Viking, State of Louisiana, Sailing Vessels. Commissary.

Windhover. Forward Ho. C. R. Bishop. Antwerp Daphne, Albert Victor. At Liverpool. Ulysses (str.) Nestor (str.)

At Glasgow. Radnorshire (str.) Loudoun Castle (str.)

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:-For SWATOW AND SHANGHAL -

Per OLYMPIA, at 9.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 2nd inst. For SWATOW & AMOY,--Per LEONOR, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 3rd inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet AVA will be despatched on THURS-DAY, the 8th February, Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Kurope, vid Marseilles to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :—

Wednesday, February 7 .-5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, February 8.— A.M., Post Office opens for sale of

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late

(11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom, Saigon, or Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES

entirely. Hongkong, January 5, 1877.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, February S:-2 p.m. -Sale of Household Furniture, at No. 34, Hollywood Road. Transfer Books of The China Fire Insur ance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 16th February, inclusive.

MONDAY, February 5:--Noon. - Esmeralda leaves for Manila. 8 p.m. - Gunga leaves for Saigon. Register of Shares of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, closed from this date to 15th current, in clusive.

Tuesday, February 6:-Daylight .- Douglas leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow. I p.m. - Sale of Curlos, &c., at Mr J M. Armstrong's Sale Room. Transfer Books of The H. K. Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this

date to 20th February, included WEDNESDAY, February 7:-Goods per Zambest undelivered after this date subject to rent. THURSDAY, February 8 :---

Goods per Benarty undelivered after this date subject to rent. Evening .- H. K. Choral Society's Concert at the City Hall. SATURDAY. February 10:--

Glenroff leaves for London on or about this Monday, February 12:--8 p m .- Meeting of H. K. General Chamber of Commerce, at the City Hall.

THURSDAY, February 15:--8 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at City Hall. 8 p.m.-American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Farbay, February 16:= 2 p.m. - Meeting of Shareholders of The No. 58. Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

10 a.m. - Olympia leaves for Swatow and

Auction. Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Urawford & Co.

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BIRTH

On 24th January, at Haiphong, the Wife of CAPT. HABNDEU, of schooner Uzziah, of

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEB. 1, 1877.

WE have received a copy of the Blue Book, presented to Parliament on the 8th August last, containing some "further correspondence relating to the complaints of the mercantile community in Hongkong against the action of certain revenue cruisers in the neighbourhood of the Colony." In this book we have the official correspondence that has taken place on the "Blockade" question from March 22nd 1875 to July 25th 1876 This correspondence, occupying, as does, just forty large pages, is too voluminous to be dealt with in one article and we shall confine our attention to-day to certain interesting portions of it referring to the spy system established here for the benefit of His Excellency the Hoppo. It may be recollected that about six months ago we commented on some evidence adduced at the Police Court relating to the proceedings of the Hoppo's spies in this Colony. The same matter is referred to at considerable length in a letter addressed by the Governor to the Earl of Carnarvon. in a memorandum from the Police Magistrate, Mr Russell, and in other documents. published in the Blue Book before us. The memorandum from Mr Russell, which His Excellency encloses to Earl Carnarvon, is to the effect that on the 24th ultimo three men were brought before him charged with attempting to extort money from the master of a fishing junk by accusing his son of piracy and murder. During the progress of the trial it transpired that the defendants were Chinese Customs spies occasionally giving information to the Mandarins in the employ of the Hoppo. A witness named Wong Apang, then employed as Sergeant interpreter at the Court, was called in the case, as he knew something of the first prisoner. The Sergeant had, in fact, been employed at one time as linguist on board the Customs cruiser Peng Chao Hai, which vessel the first prisoner occasionally visited as an in-168 former. He was under an impression that the first prisoner had deceived him

> him |--It appears from the sergeant interpreter that he joined the cruizer at Madao in June, 18 1, and having remained there short time, they went to Canton. The cruiser was then ordered to guard the three stations, Fat-Tau-Chau, Kap-Sing-Mun, and Cheung-Chau, The first-named these stations is situated just outside the Lysemooa Pass; the second is at the entrance of the Canton River | and the last named is that little island in the Mandarin's Station, to the south-west of Hongkong, At each of these stations a couple of Chinese officials specially deputed resided. One appointed by the Viceroy collects the until he was proved to be innocent. All Lekim or War Tax on opium. The tax was then four mace each ball. The other appointed by the Boppo collected duties on the various products which are dutiable. The "Peng Chai Hoi," maintained by the Hoppo, is officered by Englishmen. That cruizer moves about these stations and occasionally comes into the harbour of Victoria, nominally for provisions and

and his colleagues while in that vessel by

giving them false information in reference

to Chinese smuggling junks, and Mr Rus-

sell took advantage of his readiness to give

information against the prisoner to ob

tain some knowledge of the operations of

the Peng Chao Hai from 1871 to 1874.

This is what Mr Russell extracted from

The tax collecting mandarine receive 80 taels per month each, and all their subordinates are paid by the Hoppo and Viceroy. Every Junk or sampan that passes out of highly probable that these are but a few the Lycemoon it required to go to the Fu Tau-Chan Station to be searched by the mand. arins for contraband goods. If any junk or sangair refused to go, the "Peng Chai Hoi" sent her armed boats and brought ber by force. The proportion of those searched which are intocent traders, as compared with those which have dutiable goods, and China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at no duty paid, is about 1,000 to 1. A lune that has opium, and which has this statement for the information of kits a general illumination on the pight of the

to Canton. If there are more than forty balls of opium, the junk and goods are confiscated; if less than forty, the junk is released, the opium confiscated, and the junk master fined. The innocent trader, in order to prevent delay in the search, almost invariably makes a present to the employés, and these presents are never

A large number of unattached informers, who work for the cruizer, would seem to live in Victoria. These informers are armed with tickets, or passports, from a Mr Brown, of Canton. These tickets simply certify that the holder can give reliable information with respect to some amuggling junks. Some of this staff, who are considered confidential, have got permanent tickets; but, for the most part, a person seeking to give information proceeds to Canton and reports the intended departure from Hongkong of some junk with contraband goods, and a special passport is given to the informer to take to the commander of the cruizer. In the meantime somebody else watches the junk's movements. If the auspected junk endeavours to run "the blockade," she is soon brought-to by the "Peng Chai Hoi; and sometimes the "Peng Chai Hoi" goes from the station and lies in wait for some days. Often these informers report that some junk, which has been unsuccessfully searched at the stations, had opium concealed, and "Peng Chai Hoi" follows and captures her. A search is made by taking out all the cargo, which is placed in fishing-boats, brought alongside, and if any contraband goods are found, the junk is taken to Canton. One of these searches generally takes twelve hours.

According to the sergeant. Chinese vessels entering the port are not searched by the mandarins; but if the commander of the revenue cruizer has got information, or suspects them of carrying goods on which duty is payable, he seizes and searches.

The information of an expected arrival from the north is got from Hong Kong, One case is mentioned where a junk with some Chinese metal rice-boilers, and a cargo of 100 pigs, was seized outside and conveyed to Canton; three-tenths of the prizes taken through the volunteer informers are paid to them by way of reward, and a scale for distribution of the remainder is arranged, giving a portion to each of the crew, varying as his rank.

The average number of this irregular staff of spies in Hongkong seems to be about ten, and they make their reports to the steamer as anything turns up. Even when the cruizer is in the man-of-war anchorage. it appears that the captain receives reports of Chinese ships leaving this port, and takes action upon them.

It was testified that, about two years ago, the first prisoner was armed with crown's ticket," but it turned out that he had obtained it improperly, and assumed its real owner's name. He gave information on several other occasions, which quite misled the cruizer, and one time, leading them to expect a big haul, he induced the commander to lie outside for four days under steam. He lived at the expense of the avaricious crew, who, when disappointed in obtaining the plunder, hunted him from the ship, and there is reason to think that he was employed by intending smugglers to get the gun-boat out of the way. The three prisoners were committed

for trial on the charge of attempting to

obtain money by accusing a person of

piracy and murder and, having been con-

victed at the Supreme Court, two of

them were sentenced to five years' penal servitude each, and the third to three years' penal servitude. At the conclusion of the Criminal Session, Mr Kingsmill, who had officiated as Attorney General, addressed a letter to His Excellency calling his attention to the depositions in the case, in which, he stated, there was "evidence of an organised system espionage and secret detectivism regularly carried on in this Colony in the interest of the Chinese Customs, fostered and encouraged by the promise of reward to the informer on a scale proportionate to the value and result of his information. Mr Kingsmill added "the existence o such a system in our very midst seems to me to be necessarily fraught with very great danger to the best interests of our Colony, and I would humbly beg His Excellency's attention to these facts now brought to light, resting well assured that when the present condition of affairs is thoroughly understood, some means will be devised to relieve the inhabitants of this Colony from the presence among them of such a corroding evil." The Chief Justice also drew His Excellency's attention to the case as one bringing "into prominence a species of terrorism, practised by low officers in the service of the Chinese Govenment, tending greatly to disturb peaceable Chinese residents this Colony." It seems that three prisoners went on a fishing boat at Sowkewan, and threatened the master to accuse his son of having taken part in a piracy and murder on board a ship where thirty-one persons were murdered, of which ship the second prisoner falsely alleged he was the cap tain and only survivor | they demanded twenty taels of the master as hush-money, and this request being resisted, and the police being sent for, the three prisoners boldly preferred the charge of piracy and murder at the Police Court, and the son was actually imprisoned for some days the employ of the Chinese Government at Canton, and the first prisoner stated that Mr Brown, of the Chinese Customs at Canton, would give him a character, "Such a training" (that of informers), Chief Justice concludes thus !- "It is only of the cases of intimidation and which are frequent in the Colony. It is also had to put into Iloilo for shelter, which not within my duty to express any opi-

ent or not with international comity.

but I feel it to be my duty to submit

not got a Customs receipt to show, is towed | Excellency, the Governor." His Excellency, in forwarding these documents to Earl Carnarvon, wrote "from the facts brought out in this case, it now seems to me quite demonstrated that the Peng Chao Hoi has made and makes use of the Hongkong waters for collecting information through the medium of the Customs spies, who roam this Colony and report to that cruiser, in the man-of-war anchorage, the intended movements of the various junks leaving the harbour." The Blue Book does not contain the reply of Earl Carnarvon to these communications, His Excellency's letter being dated only a few weeks before the papers were presented to Parliament.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THE steamer Fuyew arrived at, and the steamer Chinkiang sailed from, Shanghai

THE Tigre, with the next outward French Mails, is expected to leave Singapore this (Thursday) morning.

By the steamer Conquest, which arrived last night, we learn that the French gunboat Aspic was lost, about the 14th January, on the Coast to the Southward of Haiphong. No lives were lest, ___

We learn from Foodhow that the Chivese Commander of the gun-vessel No. 10 of the Arsenal Fleet, is again in trouble. It is said that he has caused the death of several of his crew by the capsize of a boat which was sent out in his own private service. He is said by some to be in durauce vile awaiting his court-martial a la chincis, and by others to be only under temporary arrest. In any case, however, he is at present deprived of his command. He is the same officer who nearly lost his head for disregarding the order of the redoubtable Ting, when he was at the head of the Foochow Arsenal.

CHANGE OF A SHIP'S NAME, - Mr J. S. Lapraik of Acton announces his intention of changing the name of his China trading vessel Leonor, to Taiwan, under which new name the vessel will be registered at Aberdeen. The change is to be made in consequence of the existence of a steamer of the same name, which also trades between England and China. - A berdeen

> Police Intelligence. (Before James Ruisell, Esq.) 1st February, 1877.

Chan Alternage a rice pounder at No. 58 Battery Road, was charged by P. U. Westron, with selling sawshu to him and a seaman. The Constable went with the seaman and bought a quantity of s mahu of the defendant for 20 cents. The defendant was fined \$50, or three months' hard labour.

MORE SAMSHU SELLING. Li Apiu and U Apo were again brought up, before the Hon. C. May, for selling samshu to the complainant who went in the disguise and in the company of a seaman. The defendants were fined \$50 each or three months' hard labour. \$5 of the fine in each case was to be awarded to the Constable if paid.

BREACH OF CONDITIONAL PARDON. Choi Asing, a coolie, was charged with having returned to the Colony in violation of the terms of his conditional pardon. He was undergoing a sentence of two years from the 23rd December 1875, and was pardoned conditionally on the 2nd January last. He was committed to gaol to serve the unexpired portion of his original sentence.

Tong Akong and eight others were brought up on a warrant for gambling in house in Third Street, West Point. The let defendant was fired \$50 or three

Lee Atim, a water-coolie, was again prought up for stealing a quartity of iswellery from Mr Humby, the proprietor of the Empire Tavern, in January, 1876.

months' hard labour. The others were

The Philippines.

The defendant was committed for trial.

(From the Manila Papers.) The well-known General Malcampo, who so well conducted the successful expedition of Sooloo last year, has had conferred upon him by his Government the title of the "Earl of Sooloo."

The steamer Pasig arrived at Manila on the morning of the 16th January, bringing the mails, &c. of the steamer Panay. The latter vessel, regarding whose safety some anxiety had been for some time felt, met with some accident, as it is evident owing to her non-arrival in due time. It appears the prisoners admitted that they were in that the Panay left Singapore on the 28th December last, for Manila, but having sustained some damage to her machinery, she was obliged to put into Balabao on the 5th January. After making the necessary repairs she left again on the night of the 6th, and proceeded as far as about one hundred miles Chief Justice, "naturally off the coast of Mindoro, when she encouneducated these three men to become tered a strong North wind with high swell After referring to one or two which compelled her to put again into Port other cases of a similar nature, the Princess, where she communicated with the Pasig, and transferred her mails and one cabin passenger on board the latter vessel. as the Panay was unable to proceed at the time. Subsequently the Panay arrived at extortion on false charges and otherwise | Manila on the 19th in safety. The Pasia by Chinese officials, vague complaints of also reported the wind so strong that she

port she left on the 14th. The commemoration of the birthday of nion as to whether such acta are consist. H. H. the King Alfonso XII of Spain was celebrated with much enthusiasm on the 23rd January at Manila, There was

of the 24th January for Singapore. The Spanish men-of-war Patino and the Marquez de la Victoria will be sent to Hongkong in a few days for docking purposes.

A Chinese fishing boat was the other day introduced into Manila for the first time by industrious Chinaman (a naturalized Spaniard), for the purpose of bringing fresh and live fish to the market; owing to its particular construction it can be turned into quite a fish-pond and a boat combined. This kind of vessel, which is very common in China, is destined for the bay fishery. The imports of gold and silver during the

first fortnight of 1877 are: -Gold coins, \$37,612; silver coins, \$24,300; silver bar,

26th January at Manila:-Carl Ritter, for Falmouth: Oneata, for Liverpool; Leon, for ! Cadiz: Midnight, for Boston: Kirkland, for Liverpool: Valparaiso, for New York; Union, for Hongkong; Salvadora, for Singapore.

The following ships are reported as having arrived at their destinations, sailed from

the Philippine ports:-Nov. 8, Gem, Iloilo to New York. 8, N. Boyton, Ileilo to New York. 14, Hermann, Manilà to New York. 16, Noemi, Manila to London. 8, Eleano, Manila to Liverpool. Southern Queen, Iloilo to London. 19, Tigri, Hoile to Liverpool. Empress, Iloilo to Liverpool.

Victoria, Manila to Liverpool.

Belted Will, Cebu to New York. 2, Hasting, Cebu to Liverpool. John Milton, Iloilo to Boston. 2, Pope, Iloilo to Boston. The following paragraph appears in the

Manila Comercio of the 22nd ultimo :--"Perhaps the news given by the Hongkong papers with reference to the Shanghai Courier's statement that our Minister Plenipotentiary has had a rupture with China, is not authentic; at least, so we are assured by persons who have arrived from Hongkong, and who had spoken to the Spanish Consul in that Colony.'

Rangoon.

(Rangoon Daily News.)

A Story comes to us from Mandalay that the King has a hundred phoongies daily to say prayers at the tomb of his late Queen, and that he has also a number of Mahomedans to perform the same office.

A large quantity of machinery, including engine bouers, has been brought out by place of abode was on one occasion frustrated the Irrawaddy. The remaining portion of that required for the new Ice Manufactory, which, in spite of temporary difficulties, at Ablone, has also been received. Robinson, the proprietor, expects to be able to turn out 11 tons of good solid ice in blocks of over six inches in thickness. He proposes to establish depots of sale at Moulmein and Bassein and also to supply has always, excepting at rare and unusual the stations on the Irrawaddy. We wish intervals, had a local habitation, as well as him every success, and hope his enterprise | a name, in the capital of the Empire. That will receive the patronage it deserves.

nearly took place among the prisoners in the Kangoon Jail last Saturday. It appears to give their agents very explicit instructhat they entertained some extravagant | tions as to their residences, or to afford them expectations on the subject of the release much encouragement in the endeavor to of prisoners on Proclamation day and struck obtain other than transient premises. It is work. A liberal distribution of the rattan | certainly no fault of the agents themselves to some and the consignment to cells of others quickly brought them to their senses, | been somewhat erratic. This instability and they returned to work as usual. As the demonstration was only on the passive matter of trifling moment, and the particuresistance principle, we hope the punishment already awarded will be considered in Tokio as in a European capital, where it sufficient.

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WUCHANG.

January 19th, 1877. The annual review by the Fu-t'ai, (acting for the absent Governor-General), of the standing army of this vicinity was held on the 9th instant. Seven regiments were present, but none could have had their complement of seven hundred men, as the whole number did not exceed three thousand. Of these about one-half had foreign guns. The cavalry was insignificant in numbers and action. The marching was poor. Some prominence was given to the exercises of the spear-men, and to the abourd somersaultic performances of the braves. Most of the evolutions were, however, well done, and showed careful training. The day was fine. and the sight from the high hill which rises just beyond the camping ground was a brilliant one. Delighted crowds of men, women, and children covered the hill-side and summit, and remained for hours enthusiastic spectators of the gorgeous pageant of officials and soldiers. The Fu-tiai, Wung Tung-chic, over seventy years of age, and hair and beard almost perfectly white, was Thanks to one of your enterprising Shangs officials meant to make Mr Harris's queriers is less than the estimate by any other route, masts, being of iron, want to the bettom he found himself almost unburt. He saw a conspicuous figure. He shows age badly,

artificial teeth made. Let us hail another they spared no labor or expense to ensure it. triumph of western skill over Chinese pre- The first occupant was always firmly judice! But I wonder if it would do for persuaded of the sincerity of these efforts, the courtier, even after the venerable Go- and gave stronger than verbal testimony of vernor is thus re-furnished, to ask the age his thorough confidence in them.

outside the city. city of Sin-yang Fu. He saw no proclama-

tance of a hundred li from this place. days wonderfully mild. The thermometer ings were partially destroyed by fire, and, in December never fell below 35, and the not long after—though not for this reason lowest point reached this month was that of he removed to Yokohama, which he unhas alarmed the people here, and the usual dwelling place, and where he continued to China by way of San Francisco. proclamation forbidding the slaughter of live during the greater part of his term of animals for food, and advising prayers for enow has been issued by the Hsien.

FOREIGN LEGATIONS IN JAPAN. THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

(Tokio Times.) Of the several edifices occupied as Legations of the United States, in Japan, none has yet acquired a character or an appearance of permanency. This has been chiefly owing to the circumstance that the American Government, unlike that of certain other nations, has never thought it needful to make provision for the establishment of regular official residence for its chief reprosentative here. The dwelling places of successive Ministers have been determined by accident, by the fancy or the personal preference of their inmates, or, in some instances, by strongly expressed desires of the local authorities. It is worthy of notice that, from the very first period of intercourse, the diplomatic delegates from Great Britain have shown a strong inclination to identify themselves with their quarters in a manner so thorough as to make them subject to as few changes as possible. This disposition was more than once interfered with in the earlier days, and the effort to secure a fixed by an act of violence; but the locations were selected a half score of years ago, were never discarded until the final settlement upon the present site, which, it is obvious, there is no intention of abandoning at any future time. The Legation of Great Britain of the United States has often been almost We believe that a serious émeute very destitute of either. It has not appeared I necessary to the authorities at Washington if the migrations from place to place have may perhaps be regarded by many as a lar situation of a Legation as unimportant may change from time to time without attracting observation; but the majority of foreigners will incline to believe that public convenience and, to some extent, the dignity of the Mission would be benefited by the institution of a permanent and recognized

official centre for the American community, both as regards its public and its social interest. No attraction, beyond that of the simplest historical association, clings to the first of the American Diplomatic residences in this country. Mr Townsend Harris, as Consul General, lived at Simoda for a dreary term of years in a neat and sufficiently picturesque building, of the kind which is attached to many temples in the interior, and which photographs have made familiar to those who have cared to examine the surroundings amid which the pioneer of Envoys passed his weary but not inactive solitude. When he succeeded, by patient and persistent labor in visiting the capital, he was for a while lodged in a comfortable, though certainly not conspicuous, yasiki in the vicinity of the Hitotsu-bashi Gate. The house still stands, although it has undergone many changes without and within, and in recent years i been used as a school. The Legation was, in due season, transferred to the capital, and Mr Harris, still Consul General, was requested to reside within the precincts of the well-known temple of Zemfuku, in Asabu. The situation was not attractive and the neighborhood was by no means one in which a visitor would naturally have chosen to place himself; but there were ample reasons, at that date, for accepting the suggestions of the Yedo Government on a point like this, and Mr Harris never had cause to regret being guided by them. Once established there, he did not quit the place until his final retirement in 1861. was spacious and in a healthy locality, it had very few advantages. Pictures of the avenue of approach and of the entrance, such as those which appear among the superb illustrations of Humbert, convey too flattering an idea of the actual view. They may be strictly accurate in detail, but, like many representations of Japanese architecture, they indicate all the grace and picturesqueness of outline, while concealing the ungainly features that frequently reveal themselves upon close observation. Moreover, the broad-gateway, and the temple itself, with its massive and lofty roof, were, at best, mere outside accessaries of the Legation. The building assigned to Mr Harris was an entremely unpretending structure, previously inhabited by priests and their neophytes, long and low, with no outlook, excepting, at one end, upon a pretty but diminutive garden and a mimic mountain from the top of which nothing of value was discernible. There were rooms in abundance,

also at the small towns on their road from what was possible in 1860, in the way of the papers and correspondence to Congress, Shang-chow to Si-ngan Fu, and at the interior embellishment, and what is not only with a special message, in which he will at Manila on the 21st January and reported capital itself. They were everywhere practicable, but matter of common usages urge that the United States take the steps the loss of his vessel in Luban, near Min- courteously treated: They report that the now, is not the least of the significant tokens necessary to the beginning of this great dore, on the 13th December last. No lives tail-cutting excitement seems to have just of change in the condition of the capital. enterprise. reached Shen-si, and is raging hotly. A Mr Harris's successor, Mr-Pruyn, probably The following vessels were loading on the trusted native agent of the same mission found himself equally unable to render his just returned from Hanan, having gone quarters alluring to his own inspection or eight hundred li, and visited the important that of others. He did not at any time manifest the rigorous determination to tions in Honan, or in Hupeh, beyond a dis- maintain his position at Zemfuku Ji which was a striking characteristic of the first The season has been until within a few | Minister. In the spring of 1863 the build-Mr Van Valkenburgh, who followed him, alternated between Yokohama and Yedo, occupying, in the former place, a

house of his own at No. 27 on the Bluff. Mr | for San Francisco on Saturday, was in-De Long, in turn, purchased his predecessor's | spected by large numbers of people yester-Yokohama estate, and never had a Legation in Tokio. The building remained at the style, and is said to be one of the finest disposal of the United States' Government, and no obstacle stood in the way of his 15 commanded by Frederick C. Bolles. taking possession, notwithstanding the disagreeable fact that the Japanese claim for | western telegraph supplies. rent had from the beginning been most unaccountably and improperly disregarded. It was not, in fact, liquidated until after the arrival of Mr Bingham, the present with liabilities estimated at \$250,000 to Envoy. As Mr De Long preferred Yokohama, the Tokio residence was more than ever uncared for, and, being under the guardianship of only a servant or two, it fell rapidly The Herald's Columbia special says; There into a condition of dilapidation from which there, and the house was enlivened by a of about 600 votes over the Tilden Electors subsidiary official residence existed under rorism except on the part of the Regubthe control of Mr Portman, who held the licans. often been Chargé d'Affaires ad interim. This was another temple building, of small dimensions, not far from the grounds of Zemfuku Ji. It was the occupant's humor to designate it always as a Legation, although no formal recognition of it as such could ever be accorded.

About the time of the arrival of Mr. Bingham, in 1873, the expediency of causing | the public mind to accept some such solution. the diplomatic functions to be performed at | Saying that when a knot of poli icians can the seat of government, and at no other place, had been recognized by the State by dickering, we are only one step from were accordingly issued that the practice of and it is morally certain that at every subsettlement, occupying a part of the Grand in a position to make terms with the victors. | the bystanders had hardly time to comprebefore mentioned, to take measures for great extent. It would have been undesirengage on his own account in building operations or the alterations of existing houses that would have been requisite, and for a considerable period, no available quarters ready for occupation could be discovered. After a while, however, arrangements were made for a slight reconstruction and an enlargement of a mansion in Tsukiji erected in 1871, by Captain Batchelder, and, early in 1874, the Legation was finally established here, where it will undoubtedly remain as long as the present Minister continues in Japan. The place is so familiar to denizens and visitors alike that a detaileddescription of it is almost superfluous. It is well known to be, externally, the most conspicuous and prominent of the foreign edifices in the locality, and, internally, a model of convenience, taste and thorough adaptability to its uses and requirements. It fairly represents the pleasantest style of suburban dwellings in the vicinity of the large cities of the Northern States of America, and is almost an exact reproduction of a class of private residences in the best district of San Francisco. Its builder and proprietor was his own architect, but the result he has produced shows nothing of the inexperienced amateur's handiwork. Of its special kind, it is unquestionably the finest house in Tokio. Its position, upon the shore of the Bay, just where the estuary is entered y the Sumida river, is such as to command from one point a broad and uninterrupted view of a charming water and land panorama, while, from another, the crowning glory of all Japanese landscapes, the towering peak of fujiyama, always offers a noble Excepting that it greeting. Such are the superficial charace 1877. Of other associations which its name suggests, and upon which its claims to respect and high regard are strongly based, we have no pretence to speak ;-further than, perhaps, to say that the genial influences which have made their appeal to the external senses upon more than one been gratified by rare evidences of delicate

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refinement and skill, are fully understood to

have their counterpart in less tangible but

not less warmly appreciated elements of

attraction by all who know the personal

worth of its inmates.

Washington special says : The Commission | in front of them. appointed by President Grant, consisting

The President believes that the prospect of an early beginning of the work on this lying about 600 feet off the shore. Amid mother went back to the rescue of the canal is very favorable. Under his directite howling of tempest and the roar of caughter, 3 or 4 years of age. The wood, tions, communications have been sent to waves there were borne to our ears the voices in splintering, had caught the child in its the principal powers of Europe in regard of the poor fellows in the rigging, singing grasp and the fire completed the horrible command of the troops is Fung Tsang. He that early date made it difficult to indulge to the authority attention to the hymns and praying in a chorus to God. work. The man was compelled to see the has been many years at this post, and re- in adornments of an elaborate character, and satisfactory results of the surveys and to. There was hardly a dry eye on shore among child enveloped in the flames, and to hear sides at the Manchu fortress of Chiu-tso, the Legation was, of necessity, very plainly the views set forth in the above report as us, as we heard these thrilling and supreme her cry of "Help me, mother!" ringing provided in all its appointments. The only to the best router. Replies have been re- appeals made to God. Among those on the out in the agony of death and on the ears A letter received to-day from Mr King, a decoration of that day which appears to have ceived from several of the governments wreck were 10 Shinnecock Indiaus, who, as of the cruel night. In a moment she was member of the China Inland Mission, gives been noticed was a portrait of Tresident thus addressed, in which they express a rule, are very good men. During the lost—swept up by the sharp tongues of fire, particulars of the journey of himself and his Pierce, from whom Mr Harris received his themselves favorable to an early beginning agonizing scene, which lasted for hours, we while her mother in helpless agony fell to companion Mr Budd, through the province nominations as Consul General and Minister of the work, and seem to approve the heard these men praying. The beach was the earth in a death swoon. The haggard of Shensi. At the first important place, Resident. This picture remained suspended wisdom of making it international in its Shang-chow, they received usual marks of on one of the walls as long as the building character by an equal participation of the them women, sobbing piteously. Some of valley and shadow of death, seldom saw a attention and kindness from officials. They continued in nominal occupation by officials great commercial powers in its construction remained several days at that place. The of the United States, and may perhaps and the maintenance for it of inviolate The wind on the shore raged with terrible coming of morning. On either side of the Tsung-li yamen's proclamation in reference remain there to this day, an object of reflec- neutrality. When replies have been reto the Yunnan outrage was published there | tive contemplation to the priests who have | ceived from the other nations communicated three days after their arrival. They saw it resumed possession. The contrast between with, the President means to submit all

> New York, December 27th.—The Pacific Mail steamer Colon, seized some days ago for non-payment of city taxes, was released this morning on payment of \$65,000. New York, December 28-Morning.-Ex-Senator James W. Nye died at White Day, of softening of the brain, from which he had been suffering for years.

The City of Berlin, which sailed for Liverpool to-day, took \$300,000 worth of 29 degrees, on Tuesday. The long drought doubtedly found to be a more congenial silk sorm eggs, which just arrived from

> steamship Teviot from China. New York, December 28th.—The steamship City of Chester, which sails from here day. She is fitted out in the most modern vessels launched from Roach's yard. She

She takes out only a small cargo, principally New York, December 28th.-Chipman, Stone & Co., one of the largest firms engaged in the Japanese trade, have failed,

\$500,000. The greater part is held in this New York, December 29-Morning.are no developments to day beyond the it was never completely rescued. For a fact that the House Committee has, in conbrief season in 1870 and 1871 the Consul at | tinuing its labors here, ascertained that the Tokio, Mr Shepard, established himself | Hayes Electors have an average majority temporary course of active hospitality which | in this State. The committee will be unended with the transfer of that gentleman animous probably on the Electoral count to the Consulate at Yokohama. During all and also that Hampton was duly elected. this period, and in fact, since 1861, a sort of | The Committee believes there was no ter-

nominal office of Interpreter and who had New York, December 29-Morning-The Herald's Washington special says: The Republicans are jubilant over the House, Committee's South Carolina report.

New York. Dec. 27 .- The Iribune, assum ing that there is some truth in stories of attempting to compromise the Presidential question by division of honors among difterent contestants, rebukes the tendency in get together and dispose of the Presidency Department at Washington. Instructions anarchy. Let this scheme succeed once, residing at Yokohama should be no longer sequent election the defeated party will his feet, Schell stabbed him in the side and continued. The Minister remained in that create complications in order that it may be back. So rapidly was all this, done that Hotel, only while the necessary preparations. Then balloting will be a mere form. The hend the turn affairs were taking before the for securing a suitable dwelling in Tokio Presidency will really be bought and sold. blood was streaming from the would were in progress. It is probable that the Neither Democrats nor Republicans can inflicted. selection was not an easy matter. The honorably agree to any such compromise, separated. Schell blurted out that he was unwillingness of the American Government, The votes of the States have been cast. It | killed, and was helped away by some of his only remains to count them in strict according friends. providing permanent premises, made it dance with law. Whatever the result, necessary for the incumbent of the time to people will cheerfully accept it. The efforts act upon his individual responsibility to a of politicians now should be directed only to the work of ascertaining exactly what able for him, under the circumstances, to the provisions of law are, and to a strict compliance with their every detail. would be a great outrage and disgrace if the frauds of two or three Returning Boards should impose upon the nation a chief Executive who was not elected. It would be

> greater danger if Congress should put up the Presidency for eale as the Praetonian Guard used to put up the Roman purple. Chicago, Dec. 29.—The Times this mornlog publishes the address of the National Union League of Illinois, said to be in Becret circulation throughout the State. The decument is signed by the Grand Secretary, and is headed by Robert Ingersoll as President. It says: Another orisis in the affairs of our country is approaching, threatening no less danger to the liberties of its citizens than that of 861. We believe it is time when patriots and lovers of the Union should be on guard, remembering that in "Union is strength." A call is made upon all patriots in every city and town throughout the State to organize for the defence and protection of our sacred

a greater outrage, a greater disgrace, a

institutions by prompt action. "There can, within the next sixty days, be enrolled in our State not less than 100,000 National Union Leaguers. The veterans of the late war are, us they are earnestly invited to do, actively co-operating with other citizens to perfect the proposed organisation." The document ploses by saying that the necessary papers for the organization will be forwarded on application.

Bridgehampton, L. I., Dec. 30.-At 4 a.m. to-day, the thip Circassian went ashore on the bar off Bridgehampton south shore. off Long Island, and was entirely broken up by the south-easterly gales, and lost, together with twenty nine lives. The Oirwere haved.

Rutland, Vt., Dec. 30 .- There were 40 occasion within its walls, when the eye has which last night broke through a bride e near Pittsford, yet none were seriously hurt, while three cars and the engine composing the train were completely wrecked.

and all on board, thirty persons, were lost.

At half-past & a.m. the long-dreaded of General A. A. Humphreys, C. B. Pat- crisis came. The mizzen went by the board terson, of the Coast Survey, and Dantel with a crash, carrying the main with it. A households often possess. There was, made a report in favor of a canal across the laft and raised her very high. When it rehowever, no question at that time, nor has Isthmus by the Ricaragus route, estimating coiled she thimped heavily, and the terrific

Chicago, Dec. 31 .- The Times' Washing-

ton special says: While daily developments leave no doubt of the ruling faction in the Republican party being willing to lend itself to the most lawless projects of lay on thick ice or imbedded in the shallow the conspirators, there are persistent evidences that a solid bulwark of conservative in great heaps where many of the hapless common sense has formed itself within its victims had been all consumed, while men ranks to come to the aid of the Tilden folks, went about in wild excitement seeking some or rather to the aid of law and order, which | trace of a lost one among the wounded or is much the same thing. Notwithstanding | dead. The list of the saved and wounded the recent overt acts of the conspirators in | having already been sent, the sad task Plains, Westchester County, on Christmas Florida, there are reassuring signs that a remains of discovering who may be among considerable group of Republican Senators | the dead. will refuse to acquiesce in the revolutionary purposes of the conspirators.

Washington special says: Just now the | tinued to labor, clearing away the debris of favorite solution of the Presidential com- the wrecked train. Their labor was re-New York, December 28th.—Arrived, plication is to hold a new election next Fall, warded by recovering only two more bodies and to allow the President of the Senate, and some unrecognizable burned pieces of whoever he may be after the 4th of March, flesh, and the belief is gaining ground that to administer the office ad interim. This is many passengers were totally or almost to be brought about, according to the gossip | wholly consumed. Intense excitement preof the lobbies and cloak-rooms at the vails and scores of persons have arrived Capitol, by the Democrats in the Senate. here from the East and West in eager

this partly, and says that, if a new election | friends. Little satisfaction can be given comes, Hayes is not thought of, but the them. The boxes in the freight houses candidate will probably be Blaine or Morton. | containing the bodies were numbered and

as District Attorney at New York. A mites a of charred and blackened flesh in member of the Cabinet expresses the opin. | the building. Of these 17 are supposed to ion that Sickles will not be appointed. The Senate Committee on Counting the.

Electoral Vote had a meeting to-day. A member of the Committee said he could not The war among the Democrats was com-

menced at 8 80 o'clock last evening by ex-Doorkeeper Frank Echell, the former giant of the House floor, and Colonel John W. Fairfax, an F. F. V. A serious affray occurred between these men in the office of the abbitt House last evening, during which Colonel Fairfax was so severely injured that grave fears are entertained. Col. Fairfax, who is a resident of Petersburg, Virginia, is sojourning at the Ebbitt House. During the rebellion he served as General Longstheet's chief of staff. Schell needs no Democrat, and was a member of that clamoring army of office-seekers who invaded the Capital when the Democratic House first convened.

Fairfax lunged at Schell, cutting through his coat, and inflicting a wound in his side. Schell felled the Colonel with a blow of the stick, and while he was on the floor threw himself upon him, and inflicted a terrible gash in his neck. As Fairfax staggered to again.

The comments made are all unfavorable to Schell. Colonel Fairfax is a man advanced in years, and was under the influence of liquor when he approached Scholl. Schell's act was characterized as cowardly, as he should have considered Fairfax's age and condition.

The Grand Jury of San Francisco county among the indictments found, have presented to the Court the following against the Newsletter :-Libel-Frederick Marriott Sr., 4 charges;

Frederick Marriott Jr., 4 charges; Extortion-F. Marriott Sr. With a careful eye to the graceful ameni-

ties of the profession, its contemporary the Bulletin remarks :-As will be seen by reference to the list of true bills of indictment found by the Grand Jury and published in another column, the

convicted blackmailer, Frederick Marriott senior, has been indicted for extortion, and four true bills of indictment have been found against him for libel, and the same number also against his son, Frederick Marriott lunior, for the same crime.

THE ASHTABULA HORROR. A frightful accident took place on the

Lake Shore Railroad, at Ashtabula, Ohio, Bombay, 228 a 228 on the night of the 29th December. train bound west consisting of seven cars Shanghal, demand, ... with the usual baggage and express vans. went through an fron bridge and fell Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., seventy-five feet on to the ios with which Mexicans. the river was covered. There were some Gold Leaf, ... 24.70 300 passengers in the sleeping and general coaches, many of whom were killed and maimed by the fall, but escape was cut off from most of those who avoided this peril by the ruins of the cars taking fire from the stoves and lamps, and roasting to death most of those who survived the fall. The Honghong Bank, 30 scene of the accident is a few rods east of H.R. Fire Ins. Co., \$575 the depot. The iron bridge spans Ashta: China Fire Inc. Co., \$165 bula creek, 75 feet above the waters. On China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1800 of the 11th instant. The crew and officers | both sides are high banks. Snow had been | Union Ins. Society of Capton, \$620 forty eight hours. The falling train and North China Ins. Co., Tis. 875 bridge smashed the ice in the creek and pass ngers on the Montreal express train | those not killed by the fall or burned up in the burning cars were held down by the H.K. O. & M. S.-boat Co., \$12 dis. wreck and drowned before they could be Shanghai Steam N. Co., Tis. 98 ex div. extricated. Many, too, were frozen. About 8 o'clock the train was running along at a Chinese Imperial Loan, £99 New York, Dec. 31 -The wreck of the moderate rate, Ashtabula station being ship Vircassian is the most disastrous that just this side of a ravine. Suddenly, and has occurred on the Long Island coast since | without warning, the train plunged into the wreck of the John Milton, fifteen years | the abyes forward, the locomotive alo e gets ago, which ran ashore in a blinding storm ting across in safety: Almost instantly the lamps and stoves set fire to the cars, The crew of the Milton were frozen stiff in and many who were doubtless only stunned, New York, December 27. The Tribune's the rigging, their arms standing straight out and who dight otherwise have been saved, lyn, New York, says he was sitting in the palace car with three others. Suddenly he heard the window glass in the forward part charm which apartments in Japanese Ammen, of the Navy Department, have tremendous swell had struck the Circussian of the car breaking, and almost instantly, sat as well as he could, and held on. When the car struck at the bottom of the raving

22nd and 23rd, and a public reception at the | hai dentists, however, he is having a set of | as comfortable as they bould. As to safety, | Time required for construction only ten | immediately, carrying with them twenty- | a woman struggling for life and went to An eye-witness says: "The ship was to solid ice; then urged by the cries of the from which the treacherous timbers had fallen, while at their base the great heaps of ruins covered the hundred men. women and children, who had so suddenly been called to their death." The charred bodies water of the stream. The fires smouldered

Despatches to the San Francisco press dated Ashtabula (O.), Dec. 31, say:---Dur-New York, January 2nd .- The Tribune's | ing the entire day over 100 men have con-The World's Washington special confirms search of information regarding missing. Considerable pressure is being brought to | white paper labels placed on those that had bear to secure General Sickles' appointment | been | identified. There are 36 bodies or be identified.

A MARRIED couple resemble a pair of perceive that the Committee had made any shears, so joined that they cannot well be progress toward harmonizing the conflicting separated, moving often in opposite directions, but always punishing whatever comes between them.

FEMININE RIVALRY .- There are many women who abandon their opinion the moment their husbands adopt it. Even in church the women sing an octave higher than the men, in order not to agree with them in anything.

"When was Rome built?" asked school committee-man of the first class in ancient history. "In the night," answered a bright little girl. "In the night!" exclaimed the astonished examiner. "How introduction to the public. He is a Hoosier | do you make that out?" "Why, I thought everybody knew that Rome wasn't built in

Do you know how a church bazaar works? The principle is a very ingenious one. Some ladies borrow money from their husbands, buy materials, and make up fancy articles, which they give to the bazaar. Then they change places, borrow more money, and buy the articles back

THE Times correspondent at Berlin telegraphs that the Russian Expedition to South-West Mongolia is being obstructed by the Chinese. This must refer to Colonel Prejevalsky; and remembering how that intropid explorer wanders about the plains of Mongolia armed to the teeth with the deadliest weapons, we cannot help feeling some anxiety about any Chinese who should obstruct him. There can be no doubt, however, that if the rumour is true, Colonel Prejevalsky, though he may account for a good many Chinese, is in great peril.

Quotations. Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1877.

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